

REMARKS

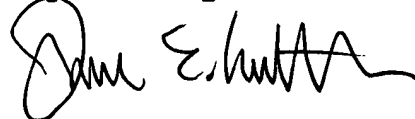
Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim Claim 2 (now canceled),

In view of the above and the amendments and arguments submitted in the response filed March 31, 2006, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

A personal interview with the Examiner is requested.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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